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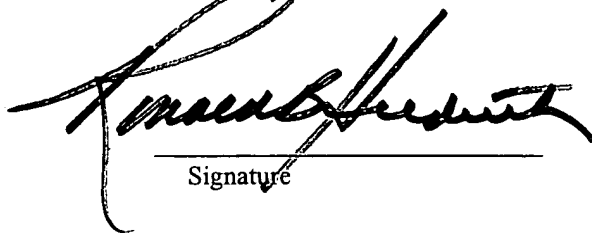
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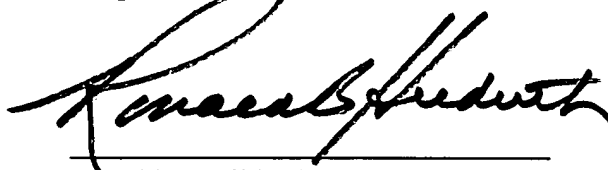
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Sir:

A claim for priority is hereby made under the provisions of 35 U.S.C.
§119 for the above-identified U.S. patent application based upon 2 Great Britain patents

Application No. 0011842.2 filed May 18, 2000 and Application No. 0017221 filed July 14, 2000. . A certified copy of these applications were filed on May 15, 2001.

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